

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 760

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Larry Haynes on the occasion of his retirement as Commissioner of the Department of General Services.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those public servants who, in their years of work, have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm and who have been unremitting in their efforts to ensure the public safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, Larry Haynes is one such estimable citizen who served with probity and integrity as the Commissioner of General Services for the State of Tennessee from January 21, 1995, until February 28, 2002; and

WHEREAS, throughout his exemplary tenure as Commissioner of General Services, Mr. Haynes distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to state government; and

WHEREAS, on January 21, 1995, Mr. Haynes was sworn in as Commissioner of General Services by Governor Don Sundquist for a four-year term, and he was reappointed to a second four-year term in January of 1999; and

WHEREAS, a Murfreesboro businessman and developer, Larry Haynes is the owner of Larry Haynes Developments; a managing general partner of Haynes Development Company;

and a limited partner of Haynes Brothers Lumber Company, where he ably served as Chief Operating Officer and General Manager from 1967 to 1986; and

WHEREAS, a former Captain in the United States Air Force, Commissioner Haynes has also served as an Air Traffic Controller at the Evreux Air Force Base in France and as a Flight Facilities Officer at the former Sewart Air Force Base in Smyrna; and

WHEREAS, a recognized leader in both state and national political circles, Larry Haynes served as Deputy Finance Chairman for Governor Sundquist's gubernatorial campaign; State Finance Chairman for George Bush's 1988 presidential campaign; and a fundraiser for former United States Senators Howard Baker and Bill Brock and Tennessee Governors Winfield Dunn and Lamar Alexander; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Haynes is an active and important part of his community, participating in numerous civic organizations, including the Christy-Houston Foundation Board of Directors and the Middle Tennessee State University Foundation Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haynes has also contributed his time and numerous talents to the Rutherford County YMCA Board of Directors, the Tennessee Arts Commission, and the Tennessee State Museum; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Middle Tennessee State University, Mr. Haynes received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1963; and

WHEREAS, Larry Haynes exemplifies the spirit of cooperation and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Commissioner Haynes is fortunate to share both love and companionship with his wife, Carolyn Haynes, and his two sons, Russ and Curt; and

WHEREAS, Larry Haynes' remarkable success as a public servant and civic leader is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Commissioner Haynes has demonstrated a remarkable ability to motivate others to reach their potential, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his peers and employees alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and commend Larry Haynes for his dedicated service to the good people of the State of Tennessee as the Commissioner of General Services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we extend to Larry Haynes our best wishes for every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.